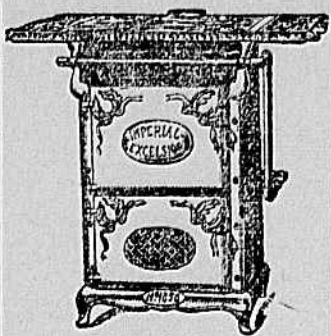


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BIG WORK PLANNED ON N. & W. RAILROAD

Construction of Double Track and Tunnel—Contracts for Cars and Engines.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Roanoke, Va., February 1.—Bids were opened to-day by Chief Engineer Charles S. Churchill, of the Norfolk and Western, for the construction of about seventy-five miles of double track in West Virginia and Ohio and the construction of a 4,700-foot tunnel on the branch line from Bluff City, Va., to Jagers, W. Va. The bids were for building the double track between the following points in West Virginia:

Vivian to Huger, 5 1/2 miles; Wyoming to Glenview, 3 miles; mile post 37 1/2 to mile post 42, 5 miles; distance of 1 1/2 miles in Ohio: From Iron Rock to Williamsburg, 13 miles; from Davis to Waverly, 22 miles; from Renick to Delano, 6 miles; from Gregg to Cromley, 8 miles—a total in Ohio of 52 miles.

It will require several days to tabulate the bids and arrive at a conclusion as to who will be awarded the various contracts.

New Cars and Engines. The Norfolk and Western Railroad to-day gave contracts for 2,500 new cars and fifty engines. The total amount of the contracts exceed \$2,500,000. These are the largest orders given out by a Southern railroad since 1906.

The bids call for immediate delivery, as the business of the freight and passenger departments is increasing more rapidly than the company has rolling stock with which to handle it.

The successful bidders were American Car and Foundry Company, Huntington, W. Va., 1,500 all-steel, fifty-ton coal hopper cars, 500 steel side and underframe, forty-ton stock cars.

Western Steel Car and Foundry Company, Hegewisch, Ill., 500 all-steel fifty-ton gondola cars.

Baldwin Locomotive Company, Philadelphia, forty freight engines of heavy type.

Richmond Branch, American Locomotive Company, ten passenger engines of the Pacific type.

Financial Condition of Road. The statement of the Norfolk and Western Railway Company for the month of December, 1909, made public to-day, shows total earnings of \$2,786,552.52, an increase over December, 1908,

of \$400,579.33. Total expenses, \$1,705,277.79; increase, \$225,278.20; net earnings, \$1,081,280.73; increase, \$184,500.13. For six months ending December 31, 1909, the total earnings were \$17,522,816.99, an increase over the same period of 1908 of \$2,629,510.98. Total expenses, \$10,131,530.70, an increase of \$1,338,372.74; net earnings, \$7,198,386.29, an increase of \$1,290,968.24.

HOUSE KILLED BY TRAIN.

Runaway Train Meets With Disaster In Danville Yards.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Danville, February 1.—One horse was killed, another seriously injured, and an omnibus, the southern Transfer Company, which is owned by W. B. Highfill, was demolished at an early hour this morning as a result of being struck by a Southern Railway train at the Craighead Street crossing. The total damage suffered by Mr. Highfill is placed at between \$500 and \$800. The two horses were hitched to the omnibus, and were tied on Craighead Street at the end of the Southern Railway Station, waiting for passengers on the incoming train. At about 4:20 o'clock, the horses evidently became frightened, when north-bound train No. 20, which was running behind time, reached the railway yards. The horses dashed across the track, and in some manner escaped being cut off by the railway gates at the crossing.

Knocked From Trestle by Train.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Fayetteville, N. C., February 1.—Evanter Barney, a negro plumber, was knocked by a train from a trestle on the Atlantic Coast Line here last night, and very seriously hurt. He was taken to the Highsmith Hospital.

CARTER A PARTY DEFENDANT.

Judge Connor Makes Order in Famous Suit Against Tobacco Trust.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Raleigh, N. C., February 1.—Judge H. C. Connor, in the Federal court, issued an order making W. M. Carter pay an affidavit with the American Tobacco Company, and the Well Whitehead Company, in the famous suit of the Ware-Kramer Company against the trust for \$2,500,000 damages, for destroying the business through trust methods of unfair competition. Carter had a prominent part in directing the fight of the trust against the Ware-Kramer brands of cigarettes.

ANNEXATION TIED UP.

Proceedings Instituted by City of Newport News to Expand Quashed.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Newport News, Va., February 1.—In the Circuit Court of Warwick county to-day, Judge John B. Thornton, in a decision, quashed the proceedings instituted by the city of Newport News for the annexation of certain territory situated in Elizabeth City and Warwick counties, on the ground that notice had not been legally served on the boards of supervisors. The notices were served upon the chairman of the boards and the Commonwealth's attorneys. The court sustained the contention of counsel for the defense that each member of the respective boards should have received notice. This decision ties up the annexation proceedings for about six weeks. The city will have to go through with the form of giving notice of proceedings again. As the residents of the Boulevard section, in Elizabeth City county, desiring to come into Newport News also served notices only upon the chairman of the Elizabeth City Supervisors and the Commonwealth's attorney, these proceedings probably will be withdrawn and reinstated without the formality of a hearing.

Warwick county was represented in court by Commonwealth's Attorney Wilson, J. Winston Read, of this city, and E. E. Christian, of Richmond, and Commonwealth's Attorney Montague and S. Gordon, of Cumming, represented Elizabeth City county. City Attorney J. A. Massie appeared for the city, and O. D. Batchelor for the Boulevard residents.

Negro Tries to Steal White Farmer's. [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Danville, Va., February 1.—Considerable excitement was created at about noon to-day on Union Street, caused by an attempt by Arthur Wilson, a young negro, residing near Oak Grove, this county, to cut W. C. Wither, a well known farmer of New Design. The negro appeared to have been drinking, and cursed Mr. Wither, who struck him. The negro will be given a hearing before the Mayor to-morrow.

KENT MAKES STATEMENT.

Former Candidate Expects to Completely Vindicate Himself of Charges.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Staunton, Va., February 1.—Captain William D. Kent, late candidate for Governor of Virginia on the Republican ticket, who has a home here, was asked whether it is true, as stated by the Roanoke Times, that he is preparing to enter suit against Congressman Carter Glass, of Lynchburg, and also against many of the newspapers of the State for publishing alleged defamatory statements in the campaign of last fall. He said he had not yet decided where the Times got its information, and declined to admit or deny the accuracy of the statement. He did admit, however, that he has recently returned from Kentucky, and that he had prepared a statement which he thinks will be a complete vindication of the charges brought against him by Mr. Glass. He says he has forwarded this statement to several of the State newspapers, which have promised to publish it, and to make editorial reparation for the injustice done him.

QUICK WORK BY DETECTIVES.

Jeweler Arrested in West Virginia on Charge of Grand Larceny.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Roanoke, Va., February 1.—C. Testerman, a well known Matewan, W. Va., jeweler, was taken to Ohio last night before his West Virginia friends could commence habeas corpus proceedings which would keep him in that State. Testerman, who has been located for some time in Matewan, it is said, secured jewelry from Lindenberg, Straus & Company, of Cincinnati, subject to examination, and failed to either pay for the jewelry or return it. This caused his arrest on a charge of grand larceny. The prosecutory claim that the jewelry for which he had not paid and which he had not returned, was valued at \$3,758.88. The arrest was accomplished only by remarkable quick work on the part of the detectives who went after the man. His friends had prepared to secure a habeas corpus with this morning, but were prevented from doing so by the Ohio detectives sending a man to Charleston who secured requisition papers from the Governor of the State. In spite of the fact that he had a signature of the Governor and secure his signature after midnight. Testerman was arrested on a technical charge of being a fugitive from justice.

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PART OF MAIN LINE WILL BE CHANGED

Virginian Chooses New Route Which Will Open Up Rich Coal Fields.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Roanoke, Va., February 1.—The Virginian Railway main line is soon to be changed between the towns of Surveyor and Sweeneyburg, W. Va., on Paint Creek, a distance of about ten miles, and the work of construction, which, it is said, will begin in the spring, will necessitate the expenditure on the part of the Virginian of at least \$1,500,000.

The grade on the Virginian main line between Surveyor and Sweeneyburg is about the heaviest on the road, and it has long been known that the company's engineers have been seeking an easier route through that section, and within the past few months a preliminary survey and location has been completed, which will greatly reduce the grades of the Paint Creek country, and also open up a territory controlled by the great Guggenheim interests, which is rich in coal.

The present line of the Virginian passes through the towns of Harper Station and Eccles, and other mining towns that have sprung up since the completion of the road, and these will be left far to the east of the new main line.

It is probable that the present line will be left in operation with a passenger and freight service. On the present section of the Virginian, which, it is said, will be abandoned, the grades are heavy, and there are numerous high trestles that the railroad's engineering department is said to have listed to be rebuilt, and this is said to have had much to do with the decision of the Virginian officials to build a section over which the heavier and larger coal trains can be handled at a smaller operating expense.

This line will also save the building of several branch lines, which would have been necessary later on to reach some of the Guggenheim properties. It is said that the railroad company will receive bids for the new work within a few weeks.

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LAWRENCE PHIPPS AND FORMER WIFE MAKE UP

She Reaches Pittsburgh With Children. He Writes They Are Going to Europe Together.

Pittsburgh, February 1.—It has been learned here that a reconciliation has been effected between Lawrence C. Phipps and his beautiful divorced wife, Genevieve Chandler Phipps. Mrs. Phipps reached the Hotel Schenley from Denver Sunday with her two children, Helen and Dorothy, and went into seclusion.

A letter received by a local business man from Mr. Phipps a few days ago, urging the recipient to greater haste in closing a deal, said: "With my family I expect to sail from New York for Europe in a very few days, to be gone at least until July."

Mrs. Phipps refused to say anything about the reported reconciliation, but during the evening she had a long distance telephone conversation with some one in New York, where Mr. Phipps is supposed to be, preparing for the journey abroad.

The reconciliation will be placed to the credit of Mr. Phipps's millionaire uncle, Henry Phipps, who since the separation of the couple, five years ago, and the kidnapping by Lawrence Phipps of his children from the Hotel Majestic in New York, has striven to have the young folks make up "for the children's sake."

Since the divorce Phipps and his wife have been living in Denver with their two children, and the separating their fine home and the children's welfare, their time between father and mother.

NEWS NOTES OF VIRGINIA

Harrisonburg.—Drs. J. M. Beldler and E. R. Miller have returned from their tour of inspection of hospitals in Roanoke, Lynchburg, Richmond, Norfolk, and other places, and the result of the visits will be made known to the board of trustees of the Rockingham Memorial Hospital at their meeting on February 2. Work on the hospital building will be begun in the early spring.

Norfolk.—Chief of the Secret John W. Russell, who has returned from Washington, has pronounced samples of nickles sent on recently by Deputy United States Marshal J. E. West, in charge of the Norfolk office, to be genuine and not counterfeit as has been suspected. The specimens were submitted to a test by Washington authorities with the above result. They are coins of the species of 1908 which have been circulated in large numbers in Norfolk recently, and were supposed to be "phony" money. Such a report, however, appears to have been an erroneous one and the warning of the marshal's office, sounded several days ago to bankers, merchants and others, has now been withdrawn.

Lynchburg.—Warren H. Manning, a well-known landscape architect of Boston, spent yesterday at the Presbyterian Orphans' Home beyond Rivermont, where he was taking notes and observations which will enable him to finish plans for the laying out of the grounds and arrangement of buildings there, all to work in harmony with a complete scheme which will be sufficient for all time. Mr. Manning expects to have his report ready for the board in about thirty days, and if accepted, all future buildings will be in accord with Mr. Manning's plans. Mr. Manning has done similar work at the University of Virginia and at the Virginia Military Institute, where his work has been highly commended.

Winchester.—Elaborate preparations have been made by the Charles Roush Fire Company, of Winchester, for the celebration of the fifty-day anniversary of the late Charles Broadway Roush, the night of February 11. A banquet will be given and speeches are to be made by United States Internal Revenue Commissioner Roy E. Cabell, of Washington; Francis B. Lee, of the editorial staff of the Tribune (N. Y.) American; Attorney John Paul, of Harrisonburg, Va.; James Alston Cabell, of Richmond, and Dr. Edwin Alderman, president of the University of Virginia. Judge Thomas W. Harrison, of Winchester, will serve as toastmaster.

Portsmouth.—A jury at Carthage, N. C., Monday rendered a verdict for \$30,000 in favor of the plaintiff in a suit for \$75,000 injuries brought by Ernest Duval, of Park View, against the Seaboard Air Line Railway. He was a baggage master, and was injured in a head-on collision near Southern Pines, N. C., March 19, 1909. His back was broken and he is now helpless, being paralyzed from the hips downward. It is stated that an appeal will be noted by the railway.

Alexandria.—The new side wheel steamer "River," of the Maryland Steel Company, at Sparrows Point, Baltimore, is building for the Maryland, Delaware and Virginia Railway Company, is expected to go on her builder's trial trip early next month. She is of the same general type of the remainder of the Maryland, Delaware and Virginia fleet, with the exception that she has about twenty-five more staterooms.

Danville.—Numerous complaints have been made recently of the swarming of farmers in the city by a class of young men, both white and colored, who loiter around the warehouses and in the tobacco districts and prey on the visitors from the rural sections. A large percentage of the farmers, including both white and colored, who are swindled, are caught while searching for whiskey. A very common

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method is for one to approach a farmer and buy him a bottle of whiskey for 50 cents or \$1. The farmer parts with his money, and often never sees the whiskey or the party to whom he gives his money. In a number of cases the thirsty visitors have paid for packages which they supposed contained whiskey, but learned afterwards that they had been duped into buying water.

Roanoke.—It is authoritatively announced from Hollins that there are no new developments and that the only cases of scarlet fever at the institution have been reported. The two young ladies who now have the fever are getting along nicely, and no other cases are expected. It can be stated that the college has made public everything connected with the diseases, and it is expected that the young ladies who left will soon return to the college. The exercises are going along as usual.

Charlottesville.—Monday morning John Russell Woods left to join his parents, Dr. and Mrs. James Woods, in China. He goes with Dr. and Mrs. Philip Evans, of the Southern Baptist Mission, who, with their three children, are returning to Yangchow, about seventy miles from Ling Kiang, from Dr. Woods's mission. The little boy has been at Pantoys with his aunt, Mrs. Sampson, and in Baltimore under treatment for spinal trouble.

WILL BREAK UP DRUNKENNESS.

Mayor Cutchins Instructs Police to Enforce Byrd Law.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Roanoke, Va., February 1.—Mayor Cutchins has instructed the police to be more watchful in cases of persons of ascertaining where the liquor was secured which resulted in intoxication. Under the Byrd law whiskey cannot be sold to an habitual drunkard or to a man who is under the influence of whiskey. In the past Mayor Cutchins has pursued a policy of leaving to the wives and other relatives of the drunkard the duty of warning the saloon man, but he does not propose to adhere to this policy any longer, as cases of drunkenness which have occurred recently have inclined him to believe that somebody was to blame for allowing the men to have liquor. He proposes to make a test of the matter. If an habitual drunkard should land at police headquarters an investigation will be made to ascertain where he purchased the whiskey that intoxicated him.

N. C. National Guard Association. [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Raleigh, N. C., February 1.—The executive committee of the North Carolina National Guard Association, in session here to-day, decided to hold the annual session of the association in Raleigh April 6 and 7.

STRIKE IN PRINTSHOP.

Union Men Walk Out When Non-Union Woman Operator Is Given Work.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Durham, N. C., February 1.—There was a bit of a strike in the Seaman printing shop this morning. Three compositors and one linotype operator, members of the Typographical Union, walked out. The conflict is between the local union and the employer in regard to employing a young woman compositor, who was non-union. The union men decided to stand by the union laws, and the proprietor was equally determined as to whom he

would employ, and defied the union by posting a notice to that effect. The strike will not affect the work, as vacancies will be filled to-morrow by other employees.

Body Is Cremated.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Charlottesville, Va., February 1.—The body of Baron Edward von Graves Ende, who met a tragic death at Crozet last week, has been cremated in Washington. The baron, as his last request, asked that his remains be cremated, and his ashes scattered on the poorest hillside on his farm. This wish, it is understood, will not be carried out by his brother, Count Storm, of Boston.

PLUNGES INTO LANDSLIDE.

C. & O. Passenger Train in Wreck, But Little Damage Is Done.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Staunton, Va., February 1.—The Chesapeake and Ohio local, No. 14, due here at 8 o'clock last night, ran into a landslide a short distance west of Millboro, disabling the engine and slightly damaging the coaches.

The train came to a stop near a high embankment. There were about forty passengers on board. All escaped injury, but got a good shaking up. A freight engine pulled the train in one hour late.

WARNING TO FISHERMEN.

Colonel Craighill Advises Against Obstruction of Navigation.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Lancaster, Va., February 1.—Colonel W. E. Craighill, of the United States Engineer Corps, has sent notices to a number of persons engaged in pound net fisheries in the Chesapeake and its tributaries warning them not to obstruct navigation with their nets, stakes and similar devices used in catching fish, and informing them that any infraction of the instructions will be reported to the United States District Attorney and proceedings instituted against them in the United States courts. It is understood that Colonel Craighill's warning to the fishermen resulted from complaints filed with the War Department at Washington that certain persons were violating the statutes on the subject. The penalty for obstructing navigation is a fine ranging from \$500 to \$2,500, or imprisonment not exceeding a year.

Paper Mill Burned.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Fredericksburg, Va., February 1.—A paper mill in Phoenix, N. C., belonging to T. C. Sweet, formerly of this city, and his brother, Kirk Sweet, was destroyed by fire a few nights ago.

EXPLOSION WRECKS STORE.

Roman Candle Carelessly Handled, Sets Off Keg of Gunpowder.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Peach Bottom, Va., February 1.—The store building of William Hoppers, who is engaged in the mercantile business at White Head, N. C., ten miles south of here, was blown up yesterday morning by the explosion of a keg of gunpowder. Both sides of the building were almost completely blown out, leaving the upper story of the building mainly supported by the corner posts and ends of the building.

Three or four men, it is reported, were in the store when the accident occurred, none of whom are thought to be fatally injured. Martin Pool was badly burned and shaken up, and will

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